

Introduced by Senator Strickland

December 18, 2008

An act to amend Section 12480 of the Government Code, relating to public employees.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 37, as introduced, Strickland. Public employees: compensation.

Existing law permits officers and employees of the state to authorize the direct deposit by electronic fund transfer of their salary or wages, after any withholding required by law and authorized deductions, into an account at the financial institution of their choice under a program for direct deposit by electronic transfer established pursuant to the State of California Sure Pay Plan.

This bill would require officers and employees of the state to authorize their net salary directly deposited by electronic fund transfer, except that they may decline to authorize the direct deposit by following procedures established by their employing agency. The bill would also require the employing agency to provide a secure, electronic method for officers and employees enrolled in direct deposit to receive a statement of earnings and deductions. The bill would provide that no paper copies of those statements shall be distributed.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 12480 of the Government Code is
- 2 amended to read:

1 12480. (a) (1) Officers and employees of the state ~~may~~ *shall*
2 authorize the direct deposit by electronic fund transfer of their
3 salary or wages, after any withholding required by law and
4 authorized deductions, into an account at the financial institution
5 of their choice under a program for direct deposit by electronic
6 transfer established pursuant to Section 12481. The direct deposit
7 shall discharge the obligation of the Controller with respect to the
8 drawing and issuance of warrants for the salaries or wages of the
9 state officers and employees authorizing the direct deposit.
10 (2) *The employing agency shall provide a secure, electronic*
11 *method for officers and employees enrolled in direct deposit to*
12 *receive a statement of earnings and deductions. No paper copies*
13 *of those statements shall be distributed.*
14 (b) *Notwithstanding subdivision (a), officers and employees of*
15 *the state may decline to authorize the direct deposit by following*
16 *procedures established by their employing agency.*